Department of Environmental Services City & County of Honolulu



NEW SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AS OF: July 1, 2006

RESIDENTIAL SEWER RATES:

Residential sewer rates consist of two (2) parts, a base charge and a sewer usage charge. The **base charge** represents fixed expenses associated with operating and maintaining the municipal sewer system. The base charge is \$34.17 per unit per month for single family/duplex residences. For multiple units, the base charge is \$23.93 per unit per month.

The **sewer usage charge** is based on your water consumption. Each customer is given two (2) deductions: a "lifeline allowance" and a water use credit.

"Lifeline Allowance" - For the first 2,000 gallons of water used each month, a household must pay only the base monthly charge. There is no extra charge for those customers who use only up to 2,000 gallons a month. This provides a "lifeline" of basic service, designed to assist "low users" of the system and people on a fixed income.

Water Use Credit - The City has determined that about 18% of the water used by a household goes to watering yards or plants, washing cars or other non-sewage uses. That amount is subtracted from the amount of water you use beyond the first 2,000 gallons each month.

The total sewer service charge reflects the cost to collect and treat an average 82 percent of the water used that goes back into the sewer system in the form of wastewater flow. These charges are computed to make them as fair as possible, with a "pay-for-what-you-use" philosophy.

NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER CHARGES:

Non-residential users are charged a service fee based on their metered water consumption. This charge reflects the cost to collect and treat an average return of 80 percent of the water used that goes back into the sewer system in the form of wastewater flow.

If you have any questions or need further information, please write us at Department of Environmental Services, Office of Administrative Support, 1000 Uluohia Street, Suite 308, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707, or call us at 523-4408.

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RESIDENTIAL	RATES
USERS SERVED BY CITY WATER SYSTEM:	
Single Family/Duplex MONTHLY Charge:	
Base Charge per unit	\$34.17
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	
1st 2,000 gallons per unit (only base charge applicable)	Base Charge
Per 1,000 gallons in excess of 2,000 (reduce consumption by 18% irrigation factor)	\$1.44
Multiple Unit MONTHLY Charge:	
Base Charge per unit	\$23.93
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	
1st 2,000 gallons per unit (only base charge applicable)	Base Charge
Per 1,000 gallons in excess of 2,000 gallons (reduce consumption by 18% irrigation factor)	\$1.44
USERS NOT SERVED BY CITY WATER SYSTEM:	
Single Family/Duplex MONTHLY Charge	\$46.27
Multiple Unit MONTHLY Charge	\$32.38

Example for a Single Family **2-Month** Billing Period (26,000 gallons water consumption):

a. Sewer Base Charge:

\$34.17 (monthly base charge) x 2 months = **\$68.34**

- b. Sewer Usage Charge (No Charge 1st 2,000 gallons per unit per month Lifeline Allowance): 26,000 gallons 4,000 gallons (2,000 gallons x 2 months) = 22,000 gallons 22,000 gallons x 82% (reduce consumption by 18% Water Use Credit) = 18,040 or 18,000 gallons 18,000 gallons x \$1.44 per 1,000 = \$25.92
- c. Total Sewer Charges = \$68.34 + \$25.92 = \$94.26

NOTE: THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON YOUR BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY BILL FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCOUNTS USUALLY REFLECT A TWO (2) MONTH BILLING PERIOD.

NON-RESIDENTIAL	RATES
METERED WATER	
9,000 gallons or less per MONTH	
Base Charge per MONTH	\$30.73
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$0.18
More than 9,000 gallons per MONTH	
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$3.42
METERED WASTEWATER	
7,000 gallons or less per MONTH	
Base Charge per MONTH	\$30.73
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$0.22
More than 7,000 gallons per MONTH	
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$4.29
EXTRA STRENGTH	
Metered Water:	
(Formula) x Usage Charge	\$3.42
Metered Wastewater:	
(Formula) x Usage Charge	\$4.29

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